



## Animal Stories: Gr. 4-6

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*\* This book is part of a series or trilogy.*

**Appelt, Kathi**

### **THE UNDERNEATH**

An old hound that has been chained up at his hateful owner's run-down shack, and two kittens born underneath the house, endure separation, danger, and many other tribulations in their quest to be reunited and free.

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### **POPPY \***

Poppy the deer mouse urges her family to move next to a field of corn big enough to feed them all forever, but Mr. Ocax, a terrifying owl, has other ideas.

**Bruel, Nick**

### **BAD KITTY GETS A BATH**

With bath time approaching, Kitty's owners do what they can to prepare themselves for the disaster they know it will become--and even have an ambulance waiting in the driveway just in case!

**Chick, Bryan**

### **THE SECRET ZOO \***

Noah and his friends follow a trail of mysterious clues to uncover a secret behind the walls of the Clarksville City Zoo--a secret that must be protected at all costs.

**Cleary, Beverly**

### **THE MOUSE AND THE MOTORCYCLE \***

A reckless young mouse named Ralph makes friends with a boy in room 215 of the Mountain View Inn and discovers the joys of motorcycling.

**DiCamillo, Kate**

### **THE TALE OF DESPEREAUX: BEING THE STORY OF A MOUSE, A PRINCESS, SOME SOUP, AND A SPOOL OF THREAD**

Featuring the adventures of Despereaux Tilling, a small mouse of unusual talents, the princess that he loves, the servant girl who longs to be a princess, and a devious rat determined to bring them all to ruin.

**DiCamillo, Kate**

### **FLORA & ULYSSES: THE ILLUMINATED ADVENTURES**

Rescuing a squirrel after an accident involving a vacuum cleaner, comic-reading cynic Flora Belle Buckman is astonished when the squirrel, Ulysses, demonstrates astonishing powers of strength and flight after being revived.

**Epstein, Jay**

### **THE FAMILIARS \***

Aldwyn, a scrappy alley cat, and a know-it-all blue jay and bumbling tree frog must save the kingdom after the evil queen of Vastia kidnaps Jack and two other wizards.

**Fan, Nancy Yi**

### **SWORDBIRD**

Warring factions of blue jays and cardinals call on Swordbird, the heroic bird of peace, to rescue them from the evil hawk lord who plans to enslave them.

**Farley, Walter**

### **THE BLACK STALLION**

When a shipwreck leaves Alec Ramsay stranded on an island with only a wild stallion for a companion, the boy and the horse establish a warm and trusting friendship that continues after they are rescued.

**Jaques, Brian**

### **REDWALL \***

When the peaceful life in ancient Redwall Abbey is shattered by the arrival of the evil rat Cluny, young mouse Matthias, vows to find a legendary sword which he is convinced will help Redwall's inhabitants destroy the enemy.

**Holt, Christopher**

### **THE VANISHING \***

When all humans in his world disappear, Max, a yellow Labrador Retriever, searches for Madame Curie who, he knows, will help find his people but as he and friends Rocky and Gizmo search, they face angry wolves, a gang of subway rats, and the Corporation, a supposed "perfect" society for dogs.

**Hunter, Erin**

**THE QUEST BEGINS \***

Three young bears of different species--one black, one polar, and one grizzly--travel on a perilous quest to the Northern Lights, escorting a shape-shifting grizzly cub whose destiny will affect them all.

**King-Smith, Dick**

**BABE: THE GALLANT PIG**

A piglet destined for eventual butchering arrives at the farmyard, is adopted by an old sheep dog, and discovers a special secret to success.

**Lasky, Kathryn**

**THE CAPTURE \***

When a barn owl arrives at St. Aggie's, a mysterious school for orphaned owls, he and his new friend, a clever female elf owl, embark on a perilous journey to save all owls from the danger that lurks at there.

**Lasky, Kathryn**

**LONE WOLF \***

Abandoned by his pack, a baby wolf with a mysterious mark on his deformed paw survives and embarks on a journey that will change the world of the wolves of the Beyond.

**Martin, Ann M.**

**A DOG'S LIFE: THE AUTOBIOGRAPHY OF A STRAY**

Squirrel, a stray puppy, tells her life story from her nurturing mother and brother to making her own way in the world, facing busy highways, changing seasons, and humans both gentle and brutal.

**Naylor, Phyllis Reynolds**

**SHILOH \***

When he finds a lost beagle in the hills behind his West Virginia home, Marty tries to hide it from his family and the dog's real owner, a mean-spirited man known to shoot deer out of season and to mistreat his dogs.

**O'Brien, Robert**

**MRS. FRISBY AND THE RATS OF NIMH**

Having no one to help her with her problems, a widowed mouse visits the rats whose former imprisonment in a laboratory made them wise and long lived.

**Oppel, Kenneth**

**SILVERWING \***

Shade, a Silverwing bat, and his friends face the most incredible journey of their lives when they suspect that Goth, a huge vampire bat, may have an evil plan to destroy Shade's entire colony.

**Reiche, Dietlof**

**I, FREDDY: BOOK ONE IN THE GOLDEN HAMSTER SAGA \***

Freddy, a remarkably intelligent golden hamster who learns how to read and write on a computer, escapes captivity to become an independent and civilized creature.

**Selden, George**

**THE CRICKET IN TIMES SQUARE \***

The adventures of a country cricket who unintentionally arrives in New York and is befriended by Tucker Mouse and Harry Cat.

**Voight, Cynthia**

**YOUNG FREDLE**

Fredle, a young mouse cast out of his home, faces dangers and predators outside, makes some important discoveries and allies, and learns the meaning of freedom as he struggles to return home.

**Wallace, Bill**

**THE LEGEND OF THUNDERFOOT**

An embarrassed roadrunner named "Thunderfoot" is determined to prove his worth and becomes a legend when his accidental feats get back to his family.

**White, E.B.**

**CHARLOTTE'S WEB**

Wilbur, the pig, is desolate when he discovers that he is destined to be the farmer's Christmas dinner until his spider friend, Charlotte, decides to help him.

**White, E.B.**

**STUART LITTLE**

The adventures of the debonair mouse Stuart Little as he sets out in the world to seek out his dearest friend, a little bird who stayed a few days in his family's garden.

**White, E.B.**

**THE TRUMPET OF THE SWAN**

Louis, a voiceless Trumpeter swan, finds himself far from his wilderness home and communicates by learning to play a stolen trumpet.

**Wise, William**

**CHRISTOPHER MOUSE: THE TALE OF A SMALL TRAVELER**

After being sold to an unscrupulous pet store owner, a young mouse lives with several owners and has many adventures, before ending up with an appreciative family.



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